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- (1) "Nursing Home Administrator" or "administrator" means any individual who is charged with the general administration of a nursing home, whether or not such an individual has an ownership interest in such home and whether or not the functions and duties are shared with one or more other individuals.
 - (2) "General administration of a nursing home" shall mean the duties of administrative performance and the making of day-to-day decisions involved in the planning, organizing, directing, and/or controlling of a nursing home. In the performance of day-to-day operations, the administrator shall be full-time (i.e., forty (40) hours per week or more) and spend at least five (5) days a week, eight (8) hours per day on the premises and a major portion of that time shall be during the normal work week when the key personnel are on duty (i.e., Monday - Friday).
 - (3) "Nursing home" means a place, either governmental or private, either profit or nonprofit, which provides group living arrangements for four (4) or more persons who are unrelated to the operator and who are being provided food, shelter and personal care, and which employs at least one (1) registered nurse or licensed practical nurse. The term "nursing home" does not include hospitals, clinics, and other institutions devoted primarily to providing medical service.
 - (4) "Act" means the Nursing Home Administration Act of 1970, being sections 73-17-1 through 73-17-15 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, and amendments thereto.
 - (5) "Board" means the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators.
 - (6) "Person" means an individual and does not include the terms firm, corporation, association, partnership, institution, public body, joint stock association or any other group of individuals.
 - (7) "Administrator-in-Training" is an individual, registered with the Board, who is pursuing the prescribed program required by the Board under these Rules and Regulations. (See Part 2703, Chapter 1, Rule 1.3)

- (8) "Preceptor" means a full-time practicing Nursing Home Administrator certified to serve as such, in the prescribed program required by the Board under these Rules and Regulations. (See Part 2703, Chapter 1, Rule 1.3)
- (9) "NAB" means the National Association of Boards of Examiners of Long Term Care Administrators.
- (10) "NAB Examination" is one of the required examinations for license as a nursing home administrator. The Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators contracts with NAB to develop the exam, as well as to set forth procedures for administration and the scoring of the exam. The "NAB Examination" is administered by the computer based method.
- (11) "Endorsement" means reciprocity as described in Mississippi Code Ann. 73-17-11.
- (12) "Direct management responsibility over one or more nursing homes" means an individual who has supervisory control over one or more nursing home administrators of one or more nursing facilities and has authority to substitute his or her judgment for that of the administrator of record in the day-to-day operation of the facility.

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